

**MINUTES
WILLIAMSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

Present: David A. Rempell, Chairman, Tom Costley, Jane B. Allen, Thomas E. Sheldon, Ronald Turbin

Others Present: Kevin Hamel, Adam Filson, Gregory Hitchcock, Stuart Armet, Hugh Daley, Tim Kaiser, Peter Fohlin, Kathy Poirot

- 1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING STATEMENT:** Mr. Rempell announced there will be a ribbon cutting and tours of the new Williamstown Youth Center Saturday, October 27 at 11:30 a.m. Additional tours will be Tuesday, October 30 and Thursday, November 1 at 3:15 and 7:00 p.m.

On Wednesday, November 14th at 4 p.m., Mr. Fohlin will light the new chimney at the 1753 House.

Ms. Allen announced Northern Berkshire Health Systems will have a reception for their new CEO and President from 5-7 pm in the Hospital lobby.

- 2. SELECTMEN'S MINUTES:** October 9, 2012 – Mr. Sheldon moved to approve the October 9, 2012 minutes. Ms. Allen seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.

- 3. PUBLIC HEARING:**

A. 7:05 PM: for a Request from Richard Ruether Post 152 American Legion Club, 117 Latham Street, for a Change in the Board of Directors and Alteration of Premises.

Chairman Rempell opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. On behalf of the American Legion Mr. Filson explained that Williams College bought the building at 117 Latham Street and will lease the first floor bar and the basement to the American Legion. Because of this change, alterations of premises need to be filed with the State. The change in the board of directors is being updated, as some members are no longer on the board. Mr. Rempell closed the public hearing.

Mr. Turbin moved to approve the request from Richard Ruether Post 152 American Legion Club, 117 Latham Street, for a Change in the Board of Directors and Alteration of Premises. Ms. Allen seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.

ITEMS FOR SELECTMEN'S CONSIDERATION:

A. Selectmen Appointments –

Sign Commission – Mr. Turbin moved to appoint Gregory Hitchcock for a 2-year term to expire June 30, 2014. Ms. Allen seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.

Sign Commission – Ms. Allen moved to appoint Stuart Armet for a 1-year term to expire June 30, 2013. Mr. Costley seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.

Zoning Board of Appeals Associate – Ms. Allen moved to appoint Hugh Daley for a 2-year term to expire June 30, 2014. Mr. Sheldon seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.

Northern Berkshire Solid Waste Management District – Ms. Allen moved to appoint Tim Kaiser for a 2-year term to expire June 30, 2014. Mr. Turbin seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.

B. Request from Terroir Café', 240B Main St., Frank Chen, Owner for a Common Victualer License and a Live and Background Music Permit. Ms. Allen moved to approve a request from Terroir Café', 240B Main St., Frank Chen, Owner, for a Common Victualer License and a Live and Background Music Permit. Mr. Costley seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.

5. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT: see attached or go to www.williamstown.net

6. PETITIONERS' REQUESTS: None

7. OTHER BUSINESS: None

8. ADJOURN: Ms. Allen moved that the Board vote to enter executive session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation (Morgan Management v Town) and not to reconvene in open session. Mr. Sheldon seconded and the motion carried by roll call vote, Aye, Ronald Turbin, Aye, Jane Allen, Aye, David Rempell, Aye, Thomas Sheldon and Aye, Tom Costley. The next Selectmen's meeting is Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Turbin, Secretary